## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A method for treating cancer in a subject, comprising administering to a subject having cancer a water soluble conjugate comprising camptothecin in combination with a platinum drug.
- 2. The method of Claim 1, wherein said water soluble conjugate comprises, wherein said water soluble conjugate comprises a water soluble polymer conjugated to said camptothecin.
- 3. The method of Claim 2, wherein said water soluble polymer is polyglutamate.
- 4. The method of Claim 3, wherein said polyglutamate is poly(l-glutamic acid).
- 5. The method of Claim 4, wherein said polyglutamic acid has a molecular weight of about 5000 to about 100,000 daltons.
- 6. The method of Claim 5, wherein polyglutamic acid has a molecular weight of about 20,000 to about 80,000 daltons.
- 7. The method of Claim 6, wherein polyglutamic acid has a molecular weight of about 25,000 to about 50,000 daltons.
- 8. The method of Claim 7, wherein said composition comprises from about 2% to about 35% by weight of camptothecin.
- 9. The method of Claim 8, wherein said composition comprises about 32% by weight of camptothecin.

- 10. The method of Claim 9, wherein said cancer is breast cancer, ovarian cancer, malignant melanoma, lung cancer, gastric cancer, prostate cancer, colon cancer, head and neck cancer, leukemia or Kaposi's sarcoma.
  - 11. The method of Claim 10, wherein said cancer is ovarian cancer.
  - 12. The method of Claim 10, wherein said cancer is lung cancer.
  - 13. The method of Claim 10, wherein said cancer is colon cancer.